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SUBJ: BRITISH REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON DETAINED PILOT

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1. MISSIONARY AVIATION FELLOWSHIP AIRCRAFT, PILOTED BY BRITISH NATIONAL ERNEST ADDICOTT AND ACCOMPANIED BY SWISS PILOT, DETAINED BOL AFTERNOON NOV 20. PILOTS HELD, INTERROGATED AND THEN ALLOWED TO FLY BACK TO NDJAMENA NOV 22 WITH ARMED GUARD AND SWISS MISSIONARY KAESLIN. TWO PILOTS RELEASED AFTER FURTHER INTERROGATION AND GENERAL LECTURE BY SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SECURITY YAKOUMA ON MISSIONARY INTERFERENCE IN CHADIAN POLITICAL AFFAIRS. ADDICOTT CALLED AT EMBASSY NOV 23 TO PROVIDE DETAILS.

2. CHADIAN OFFICIALS IN BOL INSISTED TO DETAINED PILOTS THAT THEY NOT ARRESTED, BUT BEING HELD FOR INFORMATION. NEVERTHELESS ADDICOTT'S REQUEST TO CONTACT HIS WIFE OR HONORARY BRITISH CONSUL DENIED. PILOTS ALLOWED FREEDOM OF COURT YARD DURING DAY, BUT LOCKED IN ROOM AT NIGHT. ADDICOTT SAID, HOWEVER, THEY WERE WELL TREATED DURING DETENTION.

3. MISSIONARY PLANE HAD GONE TO BOL TO LOCATE MISSING MISSIONARY TRUCK (WHICH SUBSEQUENTLY FOUND TO BE SAFE). IT WAS WHILE MAKING

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INQUIRIES ON GROUND THAT THEY WERE ARRESTED. INTERROGATIONS IN-

VOLVED ACCUSATIONS ABOUT MISSIONARIES INTERFERRING IN CHADIAN TRIBAL INITIATION POLICY (YONDOH). WERE QUESTIONED ABOUT LETTER REPORTEDLY WRITTEN BY SWISS MISSIONARY JEAN-PIERRE BORY TO MISSIONARY CONTACTS IN EUROPE IN WHICH BORY GAVE DETAILS ABOUT DEATH, TORTURE, AND HARRASSMENT TO CHADIAN CHRISTIANS WHO RESISTED GOC INITIATIONS POLICY. BORY WAS ARRESTED, BUT HAS BEEN RELEASED. DANIEL GROSSENBACHER, OUTSPOKEN SWISS MISSIONARY BOL, ALSO ARRESTED AND PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN. GROSSENBACHER HAD MADE GERMAN TRANSLATION OF BORY LETTER OR CONTENTS IN IT. GROSSENBACHER'S LETTER MAY ALSO HAVE FALLEN INTO HANDS OF GOC OFFICIALS. MISSIONARY KAESLIN, WIFE AND FOUR CHILDREN, HEIDI JORG, AND MR. AND MRS. KREBS AND THEIR TWO CHILDREN ALL OF MISSION STATION AT HYKOULOU ON LAKE CHAD NOT RPT NOT DIRECTLY IMPLICATED IN PRESENT SITUATION.

4. COMMENT: DURING LAST SEVERAL WEEKS SWEDISH, CANADIAN AND SWISS MISSIONARIES HAVE BEEN ARRESTED OR THREATENED BY CHADIAN AUTHORITIES AS RESULT OF GOC SENSITIVITY TO CRITICAL REPORTS ABOUT TRIBAL INITIATIONS REACHING OUTSIDE WORLD. THIS ISSUE HAS NOT YET BEEN RESOLVED, AND IT CAN BE EXPECTED THERE WILL BE FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS AFTER PRESIDENT RETURNS FROM ABROAD, PRESUMABLY EARLY WEEK OF NOV 25. SWISS AMBASSADOR LAGOS ARRIVED NOV 24 TO LOOK INTO SITUATION, BUT HE HAS NOT RPT NOT YET CONTACTED EMBASSY.
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